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First Selectman

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# TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, September 13, 2010 Town Hall, Meeting Hall

SELECTMEN PRESENT:

Maurice Blanchette, Laurie Burstein, A. Leo Miller [7:35 p.m.].

James Prichard, Ronald Stomberg and John Turner

SELECTMAN ABSENT:

Lori Spielman

\*OTHERS PRESENT:

Donald Davis, Director, Emergency Management; Residents: Kristianne Vanagas, Dennis Varney, Michael Judge, Alessandra Lundberg, Gary Feldman, Larry Manion, Dianne Manion, Joan Randall, Phil Randall, Matthew Allen, Betsy Feldman and Jodi

Ward; Larry Smith, Hartford Courant Reporter

\*Those noted above signed the attendance sheet. Others may

have been present.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER:

First Selectman Blanchette called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at 7:31 p.m.

#### II. CITIZENS' FORUM:

Kristianne Vanagas, 8 Allen Ridge Drive, asked how the referendum on the Fire Training Area would be worded. Mr. Blanchette explained that the wording would be presented under the next agenda item. Ms. Vanagas asked if there would be absentee ballots available, and Mr. Blanchette stated that absentee ballots would be available. Ms. Vanagas asked who would be eligible to vote on the referendum. Mr. Blanchette stated that registered voters and land owners are eligible. Ms. Vanagas asked what the location and hours of the polling station will be. Mr. Blanchette stated that this information is spelled out in the motion to be presented under the next agenda item.

- III. Petition to Overrule August 16, 2010 Town Meeting Action; Re: Accept and expend a \$200,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) Grant for the design and construction of a Fire Training Area:
  - Set Referendum Date:

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED [AYE: BURSTEIN/PRICHARD/MILLER/BLANCHETTE; ABSTAIN: TURNER] TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen has determined that the petition to overrule the Special Town Meeting of August 16, 2010, regarding the acceptance and expenditure of a State of CT Small Town Economic Assistance Program [STEAP] grant for the design and construction of a fire training area in the amount of \$200,000 be sent to referendum, is hereby sufficient as prescribed by law.

THEREFORE, a special referendum shall be held on Tuesday, September 21, 2010, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the Ellington High School with one question:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON ACCEPT AND EXPEND A STATE OF CONNECTICUT SMALL TOWN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM [STEAP] GRANT FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A FIRE TRAINING AREA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000."

Voters approving acceptance/expenditure of the \$200,000 STEAP Grant shall vote "Yes" and those opposing acceptance/expenditure of the \$200,000 STEAP Grant shall vote "No". Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office.

### IV. Adjournment:

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (PRICHARD) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, BY THOSE PRESENT, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AT 7:38 P.M.

Submitted by Kouch Cannella Maurice Blanchette

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